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Booking Information

Acceptance of T & C's It is understood by East Coast Coaches that all T&C's are accepted by the passenger when a deposit is paid.

Bookings Cancellations and Refunds Bookings can be made by completing a booking form and returning it to East Coast Coaches with the required deposit. Reservations can only be held for 7days without deposit. Final Payment is due 35 Days prior to departure. East Coast Coaches retains the right to cancel a tour due to insufficient numbers or unforeseen circumstances. In this instance either a substitute date or full refund will be offered.

Cancellation Policy The following fees apply according to notice given— 30 days prior to departure of tour, forfeit of deposit only 21 days or less full forfeit. Where a non-refundable ticket has been purchased this will be in addition to cancellation fee.

Tour Costs Tour Prices are current at time of Printing but subject to change without notice for unforeseen circumstances such as, Higher motel costs, Venues closing and replacing them with more expensive venues. All tour costs include GST. Tour price excludes drinks, telephone calls, mini bars, insurance and personal items.

General Conditions Seats cannot be reserved on tours. However, It is East Coast Coaches policy to rotate seats daily to ensure all passengers will enjoy seating.

Dietary Requirements Special meal requests must be advised at time of booking. All efforts will be made to accommodate special requirements such as , Vegetarian, Coeliac Meals, Gluten Free & Lactose Intolerant Meals

Luggage Restrictions Due to weight restriction imposed on coaches for different roads, passengers are limited to one medium sized suitcase p/p Maximum weight not to exceed 20kgs. One piece of hand luggage will be permitted to be carried onboard the coach.

Single Supplement & Travelling Alone A limited number of single rooms are available on each trip. Addition cost occurs for the sole use of a room

Special needs It is essential that you advise of any mobility, Medical conditions, or special needs that you may have at time of booking so we can ensure those needs are met as best as possible. Passengers requiring special assistance are welcome aboard provided that they are accompanied by an able bodied companion capable of providing the necessary assistance when required.

Liability East Coast Coaches while on tour reserves the right to alter or change the itinerary in the best interest of passengers, accommodation or carriers at anytime for any reason. While traveling we shall not be liable for any person taking the tour for a loss, injury or damage to such persons or belongings or otherwise in connection with any accommodation, transportation or other services or resulting directly or indirectly for any occurrences beyond its control including breakdown of equipment, Theft, cancellation or changes in itinerary or schedules etc.

Travel insurance is advisable on all tours.

5 Day Outback QLD Gems Tour **Monday 13 - Friday 17 June 2022**



Tour Costs:

\$1595 Per Person Twin/Double Share

\$300 Single Supplement

*A \$150 Deposit is required at time of booking.
Travel insurance not included however it is
highly recommended all passenger take it out
Final payment due 30 days prior to scheduled
departure.*

Bookings Close 13th May 2022

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5 Day Outback Gems Discovery 2022

Fossils, Gem Fossicking & Fun included

Day 1: BRISBANE TO ROMA (LD)

From **Brisbane** this morning we make our way out of the city, through Ipswich and travel via the Warrego Highway through to **Toowoomba**. From here we continue west getting some distance into our first day on tour. Stopping on route for lunch we arrive late afternoon at **Roma** in the centre of the Maranoa Shire. *(Light lunch / Dinner at the motel)*

Day 2: ROMA TO EMERALD (BLD)

Back on the road we head north stopping for morning tea off the coach in Injune, a thriving township at the base of the majestic Carnarvon Ranges. We'll stop for our **picnic lunch** in Beazley Park, Rolleston before continuing on to the pioneer town of **Springsure**, where we'll meet a **local expert** for a tour of the oldest settlement on Queensland's central highlands. **Springsure** is set among craggy volcanic peaks and the lookout on nearby Mt Zamia affords sweeping views over the tablelands. Our destination today is **Emerald** - the commercial hub of Central Queensland. The historic railway station was built in 1900 and is now classified by the National Trust. *(Breakfast and dinner in the motel / Picnic lunch supplied)*

Day 03: THE GEMFIELDS (BLD)

We have a fascinating day in store today! Our first stop today is a visit the **Emerald Pioneer Cottage**. Built in 1880 it houses photos, memorabilia and models of the old town centre, and is arguably the finest building in the area. We see the **Fossilised tree** outside the Town Hall, estimated to be 250 million years old before heading out to the **Capricorn Hinterland** and the largest Sapphire Gem fields in the Southern Hemisphere. We head to **Sapphire** for lunch and a little fossicking at **Pat's Gems Tourist Fossicking Park**. Hopefully with a few Sapphires of our own in tow, we now head off to **Rubyvale** for a visit to **Miners Heritage**, Australia's largest underground sapphire mine. We enjoy a guided walk-in mine tour, discover the process of underground sapphire mining & wonder at the amazing array of colours. At **Rubyvale Gem Gallery** we view the showroom displays then relax with the resident rainbow lorikeets in the award winning garden. Our dinner tonight will be at the **New Royal Hotel Rubyvale** before returning to our accommodation in Emerald. *(Breakfast in the hotel / lunch at Pat's Gems / dinner at Rubyvale Hotel)*

Day 04 (BD): EMERALD TO BUNDABERG (BD)

After breakfast we depart Emerald and travel east today, through Blackwater to **Rockhampton** which is where we stop for our lunch break. This afternoon's journey takes us south, past Gladstone to **Bundaberg**. *(Breakfast and dinner at the motel / Lunch own arrangements and cost)*

Day 5: BUNDABERG TO BRISBANE (B)

We depart Bundaberg after breakfast this morning meandering our way home. At **Maryborough** we have time at leisure to purchase lunch and to explore the township. First stop is the **Brennan & Geraghty's Store Museum**. Bought by the National Trust in 1975, the store was originally opened in 1871 by Irish Immigrants. When in 1972, Geraghty's youngest son George (aged 88) decided to close the family's grocery store, he closed it complete with stock, packaging and an assortment of other items dating from the 1870s through to the 1970s. The family retained outdated stock of Curry Powder from the 1890s, toilet paper from the 1950s and even customer grocery orders that were written out on the back of used envelopes! We explore the **Heritage precinct**, where we can see the Mary Poppins statue and visit the **Story Bank**, the heritage listed bank building where the author P.L. Travers was born in 1899, the **Bond Store** and **Maryborough Military and Colonial Museum**. From Maryborough, we join the Bruce Highway and express home, arriving late afternoon after an absolutely fabulous get-away! *(Breakfast at the motel / lunch own arrangements and cost)*

All itineraries are subject to change due to occasional restrictions. We cannot be held responsible for any changes due to closures, inclement weather etc.

Inclusions

4 night's motel accommodation
4 cooked motel breakfasts & 4 motel dinners
3 included lunches – as listed
The Wool Shed & Tourist Visitor Information Centre -
1 hour Springsure town tour with a step on guide
Entry Pat's Gem & Fossicking Park & fossicking
Entry & Tour Miners Heritage underground mine tour
Maryborough Heritage Precinct Tickets
& More....

